

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please substitute the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 16 with the following:

The present invention relates to a system for providing a low speed data path through a Small Form Factor Pluggable Transceiver Multi Source Agreement (SFP-MSA) interface. According to one aspect of the present invention, a method for providing a data path through an SFP transceiver which is substantially interfaced with a host device and has a plurality of single-ended pins includes determining if the SFP transceiver is for use at lower speed(s). The method also includes using the plurality of single-ended pins to provide at least one of a TX CLOCK signal, a TX DATA signal, an RX CLOCK signal, and an RX DATA signal if it is determined that the SFP transceiver is a lower speed transceiver.